

CONCORDIA



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Stingers

Stinger rugby team advances to QSSF men's championship

The Concordia Stingers men's rugby team won its QSSF semifinal game 15-11 over the McGill Redmen on Sunday afternoon in Ste. Anne de Bellevue.

The Stingers got tries from Jon Webb and Mathieu Garston, who also chipped in with a convert and a drop kick. Concordia played an exceptional defensive game. Deep in their own end, the Stingers held off the Redmen several times.

The Stingers will travel to Lennoxville, Que., to play the first-place Bishop's Gaiters in the QSSF championship game this weekend. The game will be a repeat of last year's championship, when Concordia travelled to Bishop's to meet the Gaiters. The Stingers won the 1999 Quebec crown with a 17-8 victory on a cold, blustery day.

This season, the rivals have played two games with each team winning one. The Stingers won by a score of 17-7 on Oct. 22 and the Gaiters (Sept. 17) have a 40-10 victory to their credit. Both teams finished the regular season with 4-2 win-loss records.

The championship game will be played Saturday at 4 p.m.

Sheila Turner named QSSF coach of the year in women's rugby

Sheila Turner, the head coach of the Concordia women's rugby team, has been named Coach of the Year in the QSSF conference.

Turner is in her fourth year at the helm of the Stingers and is working hard at establishing Concordia as a rugby power. She played for the Stingers from 1992-'94 and during that period the Stingers were undefeated. Turner played the prop position and was a league all-star in 1993 and '94. She was the Stingers MVP in 1994. She has played for the Quebec senior women's rugby team since 1994.

In the summer of 1999, Turner was named to the Canadian national team. Team Canada travelled to New Zealand in October of '99 and competed in the Women's Rugby Tri-Nations Cup. Turner and her teammates finished with a 1-1 record, losing to New Zealand and defeating the U.S. for the first time ever. The final score was 18-15. This past autumn, Turner was back with her Canadian teammates for Canada Rugby Cup 2000 Sept. 22-30 in Winnipeg. Canada finished fourth in the tournament behind New Zealand, the U.S. and England.

In 1997, Turner's first year as head coach, Concordia posted a 3-2-2 record. In '98 the team was 4-1 in the regular season and went on to win the QSSF championship. Last season, the Stingers put together an undefeated 4-0-1 campaign.

This year Concordia was 6-2, giving Sheila a 21-9-3 career record in regular season play. The Stingers defeated the Ottawa Gee-Gees 49-0 in the QSSF semifinal and then lost a hard-fought battle 15-10 to the McGill Martlets in the QSSF championship game.

Over the four years, Concordia has won one QSSF title and made two trips to the national championship.

Soccer, rugby all-stars announced

The Concordia Stingers have been honored with several all-star mentions in the last week. The women's rugby team leads the pack with seven all-stars on the QSSF team. They are: flanker **Candace Patterson**, scrum half **Sommer Christie**, prop **Leigh Garland**, hooker **Stephanie Moram**, 2nd row **Lisanne Lawton**, No. 8 **Margo Legault** and winger **Lynda Domazet**.

From the Stinger soccer team's, mid-fielder **Jo-Anne Belair** and defender **Kathleen Grzybowski** were named to the second QSSF all-star team. On the men's side mid-fielder **Xavier Renard** and forward **Ammar Bedawieh** were named to the first QSSF all-star team, while defender **Frank Pons** and mid-fielder **Medhi Mourali** were named to the second team.

Kevin Figsby named to coaching staff for OUA all-stars

Kevin Figsby, head coach of the Concordia men's hockey team, has been named to the coaching staff of the OUA all-star team, which will play two games against the Canadian National Junior Team in mid-December.

Murray Nystrom of Brock University will be the head coach. He will be assisted by Figsby and Clarke Singer from the University of Western.

Figsby took over the Concordia coaching job on an interim basis in January, and under his guidance the Stingers posted a 9-4-1 win-loss-tie record in the regular season before losing in the OUA Far East semifinals. Figsby was named the permanent head coach shortly after the season.

Figsby is a successful motivator with more than 15 years of coaching experience at the provincial, national and international levels. He is best known for his work with the Lac St. Louis Midget AAA Lions. He was also head coach of the Quebec under-17 team that won a bronze medal at the world championship in 1995 and was a guest coach with the Canadian national senior team at evaluation camps in 1995 and 1997. In addition, he was co-coach at John Abbott College from 1985-'92.

The games versus the junior team will be played Dec. 16 and 17. The location of the games has yet to be announced. OUA teams have until the end of this week to nominate their players for the all-star team.

Concordia Athletes of the Week

Kristina Steinfort of the women's basketball team and **Mathieu Garston** of the men's rugby team have been named Concordia Stinger athletes of the week for the period ending Oct. 29.

Steinfort, a veteran post, helped the Stingers win three games and the championship at the McGill Redbird Classic Tournament on the weekend. She collected 38 points and nine rebounds over the three games. She was named player of the game on two occasions and was named the tournament MVP. Steinfort, a Dollard des Ormeaux native, is studying in Concordia's applied human relations program.

Garston dominated the Stingers' QSSF semifinal game on Sunday. Concordia defeated the McGill Redmen 15-11, and Garston, a fly half, scored 10 points for the Stingers. He scored one try, a drop kick and a convert. The 26-year-old Quebec City native was also athlete of the week seven days ago. He scored all 17 points in Concordia's 17-7 victory over the Bishop's Gaiters. Garston is studying in the TESL program at Concordia.

Coming Events

Friday, Nov. 3

Women's Hockey	St. Lawrence vs. Concordia	7:15 p.m.
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Saturday, Nov. 4

Men's Rugby	QSSF championship in Lennoxville, Que. Concordia @ Bishop's	4 p.m.
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Sunday, Nov. 5

Women's Hockey	Concordia @ St. Lawrence	2 p.m.
Men's Hockey	Concordia @ Ottawa	2:30 p.m.
Women's Basketball	Concordia @ University of Vermont	4 p.m.
Wrestling	@ McMaster Open Tournament	

Football (2-6 in the O-QIFC)

Oct. 28	Concordia Stingers 30 Jon Kronemeyer - QB Brad Remus - WR Dwayne Bromfield - LB	Queen's Golden Gaels 27 20 of 34, 287 yards, 1 TD 6 receptions, 79 yards 11 tackles, 1 sack
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Men's Rugby (5-2 overall, 4-2 in the QSSF, 1-0 in playoffs)

QSSF semifinal

Oct. 29	Concordia Stingers 15 Matt Garston Jon Webb	McGill Redmen 11 1 try, 1 drop goal, 1 convert 1 try
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Women's Rugby (7-3 overall, 6-2 in the QSSF, 1-1 in playoffs)

QSSF Championship

Oct. 29	McGill Martlets 15 Candace Patterson Lynda Domazet	Concordia Stingers 10 1 try 1 try
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Men's Soccer (3-4-4 overall, 3-3-4 in the QSSF, 0-1 in playoffs)

QSSF semifinal

Oct. 29	UQAM Citadins 4 Xavier Renard Ammar Bedawieh	Concordia Stingers 2 1 goal 1 goal
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Women's Soccer (5-7-1 overall, 5-6-1 in the QSSF, 0-1 in playoffs)

QSSF semifinal

Oct. 27	McGill Martlets 1	Concordia Stingers 0	OT
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Women's Basketball (3-4 overall)

@ McGill Redbird Tournament

Oct. 27	Concordia Stingers 53 Jessica Manchester Kristina Steinfert	UPEI Panthers 45 14 points 10 points
Oct. 28	Concordia Stingers 53 Jessica Manchester Kristina Steinfert	Lakehead Thunderwolves 31 9 points 8 points
Oct. 29	Concordia Stingers 66 Kristina Steinfert Marie-Pier Veilleux	McGill Martlets 55 20 points 16 points

* Kristina Steinfert named tournament MVP, Jessica Manchester named to all-star team.

** Concordia wins tournament

Men's Basketball (5-2 overall, ranked No. 10 in CIAU)

@ Laurentian Voyageurs Tournament

Oct. 27	Concordia Stingers 73 Armél Kitieu Real Kitieu	Lakehead Thunderwolves 61 21 points, 13 rebounds 16 points, 10 rebounds
Oct. 28	Concordia Stingers 85 Wayne Alexander Real Kitieu	Laurentian Voyageurs 79 32 points, 25 of 28 free throws 20 points, 10 rebounds

* Wayne Alexander named tournament MVP, Real Kitieu named to all-star team.

** Concordia wins tournament

Women's Hockey (4-3-1 overall, 1-0 in QSSF, ranked No. 3 in CIAU)

Oct. 28	Concordia Stingers 4 Lisa-Marie Breton Kendra MacDonald M.C. Allard	UQTR Patriotes 0 2 goals 1 goal 1 goal
Oct. 29	Concordia Stingers 8 Kendra MacDonald Leanne Martell Lisa-Marie Breton Annie Surprenant Marianne Brien	Yale Bulldogs 2 3 goals 2 goals 1 goal 1 goal 1 goal

Men's Hockey (3-5 overall, 1-2 in OUA)

Oct. 28	Toronto Varsity Blues 5	Concordia Stingers 3
	Karl Castonguay	2 goals
	Sean Tilley	1 goal

Cross-Country

Oct. 28	QSSF Championship @ Trois-Rivières	
	Men's race - 10 kilometres (41 participants)	
	Paul Braganza	37:20 25th
	Christophe Noyel	39:48 32nd
	John Gazo	43:34 38th
	Warren Desouza	44:41 39th
	Women's race - 5 kilometres (24 participants)	
	Marian Scully	21:24 20th
	Kathleen Ogden	21:42 22nd
	Laetitia Queroix	22:28 24th

Wrestling

Oct. 29	Concordia Invitational Tournament	
	Jason Chen	68 kg. gold medal
	Martine Dugrenier	64-68 kg. gold medal

Team results: Brock, 54 points; Memorial, 29 points; UNB, 23 points; Concordia, 17 points; Dalhousie, 17 points; Queen's, 13 points; Western, 13 points; McGill, 9 points; McMaster, 5 points.

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